

## FARGICAL PLAYING DISGUSTS THE FANS

Post-Season Series Affected By Listless Work.

## AGRICULTURE BALKS TO GET GAME CALLED

Bethany Will Meet Farmers in Important Contest This Afternoon.

### GAMES TODAY.

At Capital City Park—Agriculture vs. Bethany at 5 p. m.  
At American League Park—St. Louis vs. Southern (two games) at 2 p. m.

If you are about to stage a modern baseball version of Shakespeare's "Comedy of Errors" don't overlook the game between Brentwood and Agriculture, at National Park.

When it comes down to the bottom of things there are several innovations in that contest which will deft the best that John McGraw, Hugh Jennings, or any other manager has ever pulled off, and that many of those who occupied seats in the stands went away with an unsatisfied ranking in their breasts is only natural. In such games of vital importance there is always a tension, upon which blame for many queer doings can be placed, but the fiasco which occurred in the fifth inning of the game yesterday nearly set a District precedent. In straight English, both teams quit before the tension, and, although the Brentwood aggregation was partially justified in its stand, nevertheless, both outfits are deserving of some severe censure from the amateur commission.

At the close of the fourth inning Brentwood was in favor, 3 to 1, and it was during the next session that the Agriculture team endeavored to stall off defeat by playing for darkness. Although several of the Brentwood players who were on the bases ran up to the baseman holding the ball and also played way off the sacks in a vain attempt to be tagged, they were completely ignored by both the Aggie pitcher and the basemen.

In this fashion several runs crossed the plate. Brentwood took the field and a batting rally by the Farmers brought the score to 6 to 5, in favor of the former team. A slight rain had begun to fall and with the close of the fifth inning the Brentwood players flocked to the bench and prepared to leave the park. But Umpire Hughes thought different and didn't hesitate in telling them to get a better position. Then it was Brentwood's turn. Every excuse to avoid coming to the plate had been thoroughly exhausted before the basemen took his place.

Brentwood went out without scoring and then started a second run, when they were ordered to take the field and finish out the inning. A call of time on account of rain and another show of temper on the part of the Brentwood crowd at 6 o'clock, earnestly of affairs and tended to disgust nearly everybody on hand, not excepting President Holcomb, of the amateur commission, who expressed his view of the situation in a most forceful manner.

When the game was concluded at the end of the sixth inning and Brentwood won, 6 to 5, all began to see the error of their ways. Holcomb, in search for the fundamental cause of the trouble was begun by players and fans alike. A little better able to consider the problem, since they had then in the heat of battle, all of the players took the opinion that they themselves were in error, and that the umpire had taught a lesson which will not be necessary again until old age has brought on absent-mindedness and other derangements to successful playing of the national pastime.

Agriculture will have an opportunity to redeem itself when it meets Bethany, the Sunday School League champ, at Capital City Park, this afternoon. The game will be called at 6 o'clock. Women will oppose Sanders on the rubber.

Some of our leading citizens were very much perturbed when the trouble started in that game yesterday. Mr. Bolgiano termed the conduct of both teams as puerile and foolish.

Following is the schedule of the remaining games:

AMERICAN LEAGUE PARK.  
August 23—R. Y. M. C. A. vs. Suburban.  
August 24—Independence vs. Suburban.  
August 25—Sunday School vs. Capital City.  
August 26—Independence vs. Bankers.  
August 27—Marquette vs. Capital City.  
August 28—Departmental vs. Sunday School.  
August 29—Sunday School vs. Marquette.  
August 30—Departmental vs. Capital City.  
August 31—Bankers vs. R. Y. M. C. A.  
CAPITAL CITY PARK.  
August 21—Sunday School vs. Departmental.  
August 22—Marquette vs. Sunday School.  
August 23—R. Y. M. C. A. vs. Bankers.  
August 24—Departmental vs. Marquette.  
August 25—R. Y. M. C. A. vs. Independence.  
August 26—Bankers vs. Suburban.  
August 27—Suburban vs. R. Y. M. C. A.  
August 28—Bankers vs. Independence.  
August 29—Suburban vs. Independence.  
August 30—Capital City vs. Sunday School.

### OFFERS BARGAIN.

Mrs. Hank—if you won't do now, you won't get it. I am willing to do. I will give you a lesson in correct English. Is it a go?—Life.

### CASE ALTERED.

"I thought you said May Nagget had married a good-natured man."  
"No, she did."  
"Nonsense! I met him yesterday and he's a kook."  
"Well, he's been married to May for nearly four months now, and now—"  
"Oh, yes, I see it and I know it."—Life.

## OFFERED ROSSMAN TO THE NATIONALS

Cantillon Declined to Allow Donohue to Figure in Deal for Big First Baseman of Detroit Team. Billy Lush Here.

By THOMAS KIRBY.

The disposal of Claude Rossman by Detroit comes as no great surprise, but it is not generally known that the Nationals narrowly escaped getting the big first baseman.

When Cantillon realized that the fans had seen enough of Jim Delahanty and that the player was virtually useless to the local club, he asked for favors, and Detroit declined to let the second baseman get out of the league. Then it was that negotiations were opened.

Cantillon had always had a longing for Schaefer, and Jennings offered to make an even trade. This was declined, as Washington insisted upon an extra player.

Jennings came back with an offer to give Washington Schaefer, Killifer, and Rossman for Delahanty and Donohue, but Cantillon refused to part with the former White Sox, so the Schaefer-Killifer-Donohue trade was finally consummated.

Bethany and Agriculture meet in the post-season series this afternoon at Capital City Park.

Billy Lush, former National League player and baseball coach at Yale, disguised as a scout, was in Washington yesterday looking for some real ball players.

Lush has been through the Virginia League and has the names of a couple of likely looking ball players he intends to recommend to a major league club. While he admits that he is scouting Lush refuses to tell the name of the club he represents.

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## SCHAEFER HONORED BY DETROIT FANS

National Second Baseman Is Presented With a Healthy Purse.

## GRAY IS OUTPITCHED BY TIGER TWIRLER

Wildness in Eighth Inning Causes Downfall of the Tall Californian.

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 21.—"Presentation day" would aptly term the Nationals' debut here.

Joe Cantillon was presented with a gift, Herman Schaefer was the recipient of a gift, and Washington presented Detroit with a gift. It was a regular Christmas, minus the trimmings of frost and snow.

First it was Joe Cantillon's birthday. His players summoned the manager to a parlor in the Griswold House and presented him with a silver carving set. Bob Unglaub made the presentation speech.

Later, at the ball park, Schaefer was made to feel like the marked guest at a farm party. "The first time he came to bat the fans went fairly wild and followed it up with a presentation of \$100 in gold.

In order to respond fittingly, the German made a terrific smash in the fourth inning, getting three bases on a drive over Dave Jones' head.

Detroit drew first blood at Washington's expense. Willett pitched better ball than "Dolly" Gray. The latter went well until the eighth inning, when his fit of wildness permitted the champions to score the tying run.

Tom Jones, the former St. Louis sacker, joined the Tigers this morning and will play today. His position in the batting order will be fifth and just following Crawford.

For his pugnacious tactics in yesterday's game, Ty Cobb will probably draw a suspension. Umpire Connelly is expected to get notice to this effect just before today's game starts.

Today's batteries will be Killian and Schmidt, Johnson and Street. The weather is ideal.

The Score:

	A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E.
Detroit	10 3 1 1 0 1 0 0 0
Washington	10 3 1 1 0 1 0 0 0
Bush, 1b	4 1 3 2 0 1 0 0 0
Cobb, 2b	4 1 3 2 0 1 0 0 0
O'Leary, 3b	4 1 3 2 0 1 0 0 0
Crawford, 4b	4 1 3 2 0 1 0 0 0
Delahanty, 5b	4 1 3 2 0 1 0 0 0
McCarthy, 6b	4 1 3 2 0 1 0 0 0
Mullin, 7b	4 1 3 2 0 1 0 0 0
Stanage, 8b	4 1 3 2 0 1 0 0 0
Willett, 9b	4 1 3 2 0 1 0 0 0
Totals	40 12 27 36 27 16 0

Washington.

	A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E.
Brown, 1b	4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Engle, 2b	4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Livingson, 3b	4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Conroy, 4b	4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Milan, 5b	4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
McBride, 6b	4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Street, 7b	4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Gray, 8b	4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Totals	36 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

Two-base hits—Delahanty, Street. Three-base hits—Stanage, Schaefer. Error—Cobb (2). Stolen bases—Bush, Cobb (2), Milan. Bases on balls—Off Willett, 3; off Gray, 4. Hit by pitcher—By Gray, 2. Left on bases—Detroit, 7; Washington, 6. Struck out—By Willett, 2; Gray, 3. Double plays—Cobb to Stanage; Browne (unassisted); Unglaub to Street. Wild pitches—Willett, 1; Gray, 1. Time of game—1 hour and 25 minutes. Umpires—Messrs. Connelly and Kerin. Attendance—4,065.

WALTHY SPORTSMAN BIDS FOR BIG BOUT

Oklahoma Millionaire Hangs Up \$75,000 for Jeffries-Johnson Fight.

NEW YORK, Aug. 21.—It is announced here today that the largest offer yet made for the privilege of pulling off the battle between James J. Jeffries and Jack Johnson for the heavyweight championship of the world, has been received from Joseph C. Miller, millionaire owner of the 101 ranch near Bliss, Okla. Miller expresses a willingness to offer a \$75,000 purse for the fighters, the battle to occur in the second week in April. Miller's three brothers, all millionaires, will join with him in making up the purse which he offers.

It is announced that to prove his offer is bonafide, Miller will deposit a certified check for \$25,000 in any bank the fighters name, and he will follow this with an additional \$50,000 the moment his terms are accepted.

Miller desires he wants the fight held on his 100,000-acre ranch, which is forty miles from Oklahoma City, midway between the East and West, and, therefore, convenient to fight fans from both sections of the country.

That "unlucky" is what breaks his nerves. A misstep a foot in the way and spikes are driven into sound flesh, the player jumps from the field and is out maybe for a season, maybe forever.

John McGraw was a wonderful player until they cut him down with spikes.

CRABBED DISPOSITION.

"He has a very crabbed disposition."  
"How so?"  
"He crushes every time Miss Old-girl thinks she has got him to the propelling point."—Houston Post.

Every woman covets a shapely figure, and many of them deplore the loss of their girlish forms after marriage. The bearing of children is often destructive to the mother's shapeliness. All of this can be avoided by the use of Mother's Friend before baby comes, as this liniment prepares the body for the strain upon it, and preserves the symmetry of her form. Mother's Friend makes the danger of child-birth less, and carries her safely through this critical period. Thousands gratefully tell of the benefit and relief derived from the use of this remedy. Sold by druggists at \$1.00 per bottle. Bank mailed free to all who send 10c. THE BRADFIELD REGULATOR CO., Atlanta, Ga.

## COLLINS AND COBB FIGHTING FOR LEAD

Detroit Outfielder Is Now But Few Points Behind Athletic Players—Browne Sticks in the .300 Class.

The great struggle between Eddie Collins and Ty Cobb for the American League batting premiership is on in dead earnest, and Ty Cobb is now but a few points behind the young collegian. Most fans will skip their money on Cobb when it comes down to cases, as he is generally figured as more likely to hold the pace than Eddie. Napoleon Lajoie, with the managerial cares off his shoulders, is also likely to come up and make things lively for the other pair.

Cobb easily leads in baserunning and Crawford in long range batting. Detroit leads in team batting and the Athletics in extra bases. The Athletics have likewise assumed the field leadership by displacing the White Sox.

Players. G. A. B. R. H. SH. SB. Pct. Cloutte, B. 16 34 5 8 0 1 235 Barry, A. 30 37 35 74 16 12 233 Isbell, Ch. 29 37 31 87 16 12 233 Mullin, D. 35 38 9 20 0 3 233 Altizer, Ch. 29 36 26 51 7 12 232

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## MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE  
Yesterday's Results.  
Detroit, 3; Washington, 1.  
Philadelphia, 6; Cleveland, 6.  
Games Today.  
Philadelphia at Cleveland.  
Boston at St. Louis.  
Washington at Detroit.  
New York at Chicago.

Standing of the Clubs.  
W. L. Pct.  
Philadelphia ..... 69 42 .622  
Detroit ..... 67 43 .609  
Boston ..... 67 46 .593  
Cleveland ..... 67 50 .571  
Chicago ..... 63 56 .526  
New York ..... 51 68 .430  
St. Louis ..... 46 62 .429  
Washington ..... 33 78 .291

NATIONAL LEAGUE  
Yesterday's Results.  
Pittsburg, 4; Philadelphia, 3.  
Chicago, 5; Boston, 3.  
New York, 3; Brooklyn